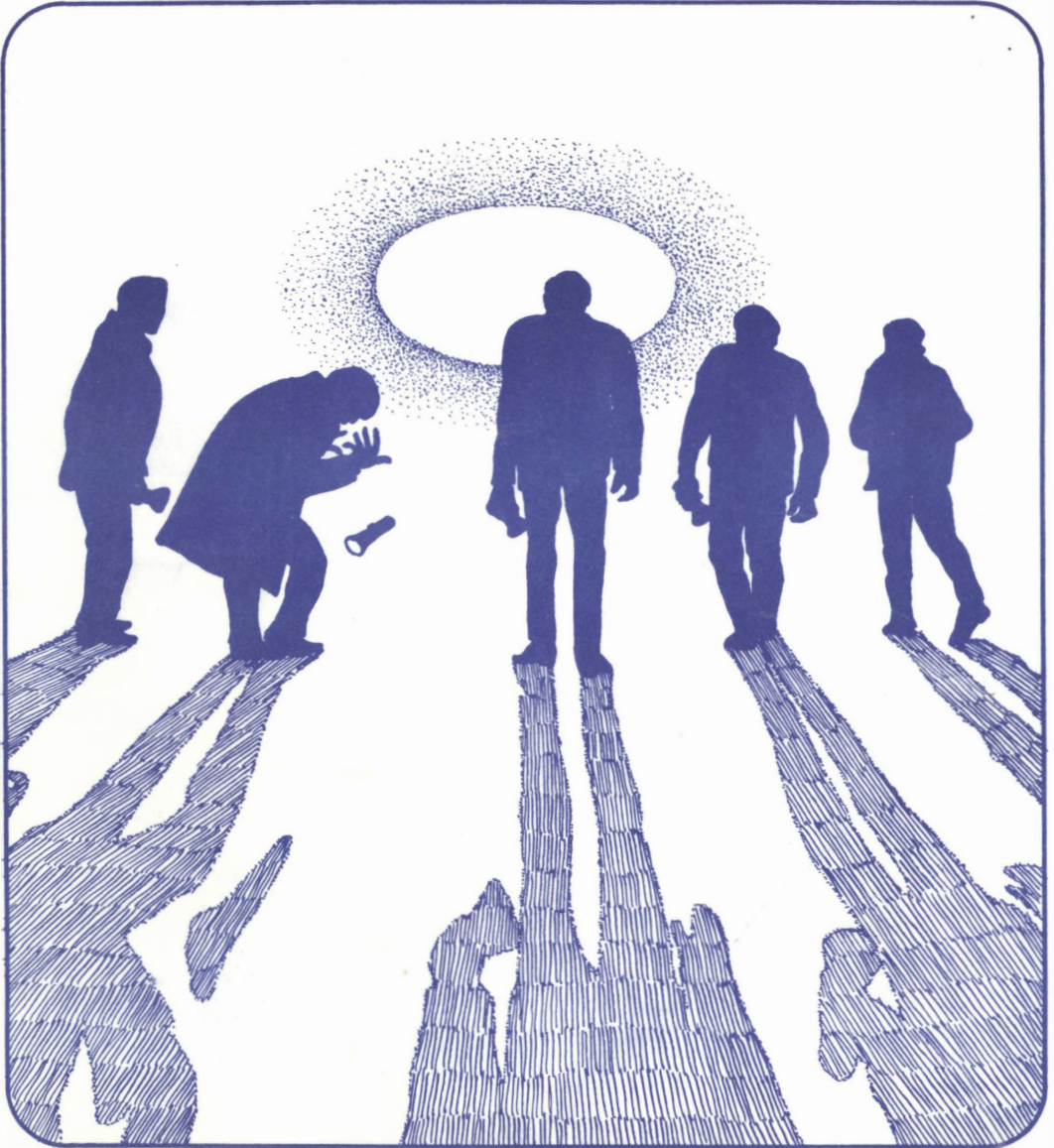


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FROM THE EDITOR

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A new era

This edition of the Awareness has undergone considerable changes in both artistic presentation and editorial policy. The reasons behind the alterations, formulated over the last six months, are intended to improve the quality of this publication in an effort to solicit more papers, from more prominent writers, and of course it is hoped to stimulate and add more appeal to the readership.

Notable changes in the artistic presentation include the use of, for the first time, photographic material & much more extensive use of illustrations and other visual aids. Another major improvement is that of a well designed, attractive looking, colour card cover.

The editorial policy comprises of two basics: (1) An objective approach. This does not mean to say that the magazine will be in any way restrictive, in effect quite the opposite. The rule is that "anything goes", providing of course that hypothesis is objectively presented and pertinent or that a factual relation of accounts is maintained in as much as that is possible. (2) Artistic improvements. Whilst the changes in this issue are far reaching and extensive, they are only the foundation for more improvements which will take effect in the future.

Two very important content feature sections, "Peripheral Ufology" and "Selected Reports" will appear regularly in future issues. The former, "Peripheral Ufology" is as the name suggests, a very wide area for narrating actual incidents or a number of incidents which in-

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dividually or collectively imply or denote new theories of fields of research directly or indirectly associated with the ufo phenomenon. The latter section, "Selected Reports" is aimed primarily towards the researcher, author or other authorities. Its function is to relate details of particular ufo occurrences which contain unusually complete detail, or again, because the information described therein has a bizarre or frightening nature, or perhaps, because events depicted may correlate with already established lines or recognised "data areas".

To go hand in hand with this, the new Awareness, is a third Contact (UK) publication entitled "Contact Bulletin". This will consist of

three or four pages and will be produced by a relatively cheap method, probably duplication. The intention of this third publication is to advise members of what could be termed "administrative and operative decisions" made by the National Committee of Contact (UK). Before now, this information has always appeared in the Awareness, but, due to the continual lack of space (every editor's bane), has always been subjected to intense surgery effected by the editor's notorious "scalpel". This, then, will enable full details of committee decisions and other administrative changes to come to your attention and will also leave the Awareness to concentrate entirely on the ufo phenomenon.

One last change remains to be accomplished. The journal's name. It is thought that the name "Awareness" is not really an informative or descriptive name of what the journal is "all about". Although many suggestions have been offered, none were thought completely suitable. Therefore it has been decided to solicit the assistance of our members and readers in determining a new name. To prompt persons to send in nominations, a prize of one year's free membership to Contact (UK) will be given to the winning name. Please send all of your suggestions to the editor before June 10, 15,

European UFO Conference · London May 26 & 27, 1972

The International Chairman of Contact, the Hon. Brinsley Le Poer Trench, has announced details of a European Ufo Conference, arranged by Contact (International), which will take place in London, on May 26th and 27th 1972.

International Committee Members of Contact and their delegates will be attending from Belgium, France, Norway, Spain and Switzerland. Also attending from overseas will be the Contact representatives from Mexico, Venezuela and Zambia.

An informal reception will be held at the International Chairman's flat on the evening of Friday, May 26, 1972 to welcome the visiting I.C.M.s. Also attending this reception will be the National Committee of Contact

1972. Details of the winner will appear in the next issue.

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On the afternoon of May 27, 1972 there will be a working session for ICMs and their delegates together with Contact (UK) officers. Following this at 7p.m., a public meeting is to be held at the Caxton Hall, Caxton Street, London S.W.1. where ICMs will be present. The speaker is Dr. John Cleary-Baker, PhD., whose lecture is entitled World Trends in Ufo Research. Chairing the meeting will be The Hon. Brinsley Le Poer Trench. All Contact (UK) members are invited to attend together with any friends which they wish to bring along. Entrance to the meeting is 20p per person and the doors open at 6.30p.m.

THE IMPORTANCE OF BALANCE

Hon. Brinsley Le Poer Trench

The UFO subject is vast and contains so many facets that when the researcher comes to look at the whole picture his mind boggles at the enormity and complexity of it all. Let us review some of the questions that confront students of the subject. Although many ufologists have their own pet ideas on many aspects, there are whole areas of the subject on which general agreement has not been reached.

First problem. From where do the UFOs emanate? This is a question that is continuously being asked me by new comers to the subject and by journalists. Many theories have been advanced.

For example, (1) From our own solar system and/or from further afield in our galaxy and other galaxies of our universe. (2) From invisible universes, possibly interpenetrating our own. This is a theory that has been steadily gaining ground during the last few years. (3) From the depths of the oceans. (See Ivan T. Sanderson's last book 'Invisible Residents'). (4) From somewhere in Time. In short, Time Travellers coming back to Earth. This is an interesting idea held by some ufologists. (5) From the centre of the Earth. This is known as the Hollow Earth Theory. The minority of ufologists that hold this view believe that there are hidden entrances in both the North and South polar regions. (6) From a mixture of some or all points 1-5.

Second problem. There have been hundreds of reported landings of alien entities during the last few years. The descriptions of these visitors vary immensely. Naked giants with no hair, splendid looking alleged Venusians with long hair, humanoid robot-like types, entities with high cheek bones and slit eyes, hairy dwarfs, the 'birdman' with glaring red

eyes described by John Keel and others, and many more varieties. Well, what do we deduce from all this? The obvious answer is that all this variety of alien visitors points to the fact that they do, indeed, emanate from different points of origin. However, we cannot be too sure. Many warnings have been given by leading ufologists that these entities get up to all kinds of tricks.

Third problem. There is considerable argument among ufologists as to whether the visitors are friendly, hostile, or just indifferent to mankind on this planet. There seem to be four different viewpoints on this question. (1) Those that state emphatically that all the ufo-nauts are friendly. To them all the visitors are like those that Adamski claimed to have met. This group of ufologists refuse to accept that any of the UFOs could be hostile and do not believe any reported hostile incidents. (2) Those that incline to the view that most of the UFOs are hostile. If you tell them that if the UFOs were hostile, then they could have taken the planet over long ago with their advanced technology, their answer is that the planet is already owned by the ufo-nauts. Furthermore, that we are now in process of being taken over mentally. (3) There is a section of ufologists who believe that a long-term scientific investigation of our planet is being carried out by the alien visitors, and that they are neutral towards us. (4) There is a growing group that consider a battle is going on between the forces of good and evil, and that there are both friendly and hostile entities around. So, you see, once again, there are considerable differences of opinion on this very important point which could have repercussions for the human race.

Fourth problem. Our researches show that flying objects have been seen in the skies throughout history. (See works of Desmond Leslie, H.T. Wilkins, W. Raymond Drake, M.K. Jessup, Arthur Constance and Le Poer Trench.) It was that indefatigable collector of 'erratics', the late Charles Fort, who made that interesting statement that 'we were owned'. Is it possible that the space visitors are the 'missing link' to Darwin's theory, as Otto Binder, the American UFO writer has suggested, and that we were seeded here from space? The famous verses in Genesis vi. 2 and 4 certainly suggest interbreeding between the visitors and mankind. This, then, would certainly underline the proprietary interest the UFOs have shown in us for thousands of years. If too, they had interbred with us, then they may have done the same on thousands of planets throughout our universe. An interesting thought.

Fifth problem. There are many stories printed in books and magazines about abductions of planes, people, cattle and sheep. Tales too, of human beings being medically examined in spacecraft (the Barney Hill case), and of sexual experiences (the Antonio Villas Boas case). Then, there are the many reported teleportation cases (see Gordon Creighton's articles in back issues of Flying Saucer Review). Are these events true or false? Finally, there are the hotly debated reports of Men in Black. Those mysterious beings that have allegedly harassed or silenced UFO researchers.

In this article I have tried to give a summation of some of the many undecided problems facing UFO researchers. Just a few of the ingredients that go into the hot UFO cake. What we all want to establish is the real truth about the UFOs and whether the UFO cake will eventually nourish or poison us?

I have written elsewhere that in the study of UFOs we should not necessarily accept anything nor reject anything, but find a place in the storehouse of our minds for the event or idea that comes to our attention, however bizarre it may seem at the time. Something

later may turn up which will validate the first occurrence or idea. This is the scientific method.

What we must realise is that some or all of the visitors are, perhaps, thousands of years ahead of us in technology and in the use of Extra Sensory Perception (ESP). Therefore, we should not look at this subject solely on the basis of our own limited present 'know-how'. That too, is why when we hear of something quite fantastic such as a large UFO dwindling down in size to a small object no larger than a toy balloon, we should not necessarily accept nor deny the report.

Now, I want to touch upon the question of 'goodies' and 'baddies'. There is now no doubt that there have been both friendly and hostile UFO reports. There have been many examples of UFOs flying over us quite harmlessly, and there have also been some hostile incidents. The report of the soldiers being badly burnt at Fort Itaipu in Brazil some years ago is a case in point.

If there are both benevolent and hostile ufo-nauts it behoves us to be on our guard. Both sides are apparently in possession of an advanced technology and capable of ESP powers, and as many writers (Keel, Creighton, Binder and others) have pointed out, the 'baddies' can get up to all sorts of tricks, even pretending to be the 'goodies'.

Now this last item about the 'baddies' pretending to be 'goodies' is where we can be very vulnerable if we are not fully alert. I would emphasize that the most dangerous area is the mediumistic one. Please do not think that I am against genuine mediums. Far from it. They know how to protect themselves. However, they would be the first to agree that there are a lot of charlatans in their particular field, and even some sincere mediums who do not know how to protect themselves properly, and allow entities to take over and speak through them who are 'false prophets'. There are literally scores, possibly hundreds, of UFO and so-called spiritual magazines,

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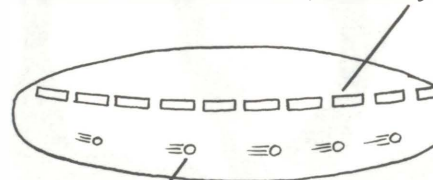
NEWS: WORLD-WISE

Scandinavian New Year Saucers

The new year started with a "bang" when hundreds of people in Southern Norway and Sweden witnessed one of the biggest flaps ever recorded in Scandinavia. In the early hours of January 1, 1972 between 4.00 and 4.30 a.m., many unidentified objects were seen flying Eastwards from the West coast of Norway to the East coast of Sweden, passing slightly south of Stockholm, until they were reported entering a large cigar shaped object over the Gulf of Bothnia.

Our correspondent in Norway, Nils Jacobsen, has sent to us detailed accounts of many of these reports. One sighting was made by a Mr. Petersen, of Nedre Lerfoss, Norway. It was 4.30 a.m. when Mr. Petersen saw something moving in the direction of Leirfossen. After a short while the object stopped and he observed that it was cigar shaped about 25-30 metres long and 4 metres in height. The object had what appeared to be windows (perhaps rim lights) running along the whole of its length and from each of these was seen a bright light.

WINDOWS WITH LIGHTS DISTINCTLY MARKED



BLUISH FLAMES WHEN OBJECT ACCELERATED

The craft hovered for about three minutes above a local power station, before some blue flames suddenly shot out from the underside of the ufo and it started to accelerate away,

slowly at first, but then at a tremendous velocity.

Unidentified flying objects were also observed elsewhere. The control tower at Bergen Airport observed a formation of flying objects over the airport at a height of about 2,000 metres at 4.15 a.m. and a flight pilot reported seeing an object moving at a speed in excess of 1,400 miles per hour (Mach 2), twice the speed of sound. At Grefsen, a telegraph officer saw about 100 objects at 4.17 a.m. He estimated that their altitude was about 13,000 metres.



GENERAL DIRECTION OF UFOs SEEN OVER SCANDINAVIA ON NEW YEAR'S DAY.

With the sudden volume of UFO sightings being recorded all over this area, it was impossible for them to be completely ignored and non-ufologists soon came up with theories to explain these phenomena. One was that the objects were meteors and another that they were satellite debris. However, it is interesting to note, that after "thorough" investigat-

ion the satellite-expert, E. Tandberg, believes they were meteors while the meteor specialist, J. Skorre believes them to be satellite debris.

Formations over Durban

Suburban areas of Durban, South Africa, have in recent weeks been overflowed by several formations of "egg or cigar" shaped ufos glowing red with white tails.

Mr. H. Kemp of Durban, whilst returning home on the evening of Sunday, February 6, 1972, observed some aerial objects flying in a "tight formation" which resembled "sky-rockets". The objects were dirigible or cigar shaped and glowed red with white tails. In a matter of a few seconds they had disappeared over the southern horizon. Later on during the same evening, Mr. Kemp's wife observed almost identical objects. This time there were three of them each glowing red with white tails, which were now headed in an easterly direction.

One week later, on Sunday, February 13, 1972, a resident of Pinetown, near Durban, together with a companion, observed three egg shaped objects fly rapidly across the sky in a perfect formation. Also on this occasion the objects were red at the front and glowing white behind. Twice more on that same evening, the two witnesses observed what they believed to be the same formation. A spokesman for the Meteorological Office said that it was unlikely that the unidentified flying objects would be weather balloons or other Met. Office equipment.

(Credit. Mrs. Maisie Mitchell.
Contact I.C.M. South Africa.)

Case of the abducted calf : Brazil

During the last days of October, 1971, at about four in the afternoon, Pedro Trojano Machado, a 66 year old widower and his 25 year old son, Euripides Jesus Trindade Machado had herded 16 cattle into the corral of La Palma Velha Estancia (The Old Palm Ranch),

situated in the forest district of Algrete, Brazil, in order to dress their wounds and clean them of ticks and other parasites.

The afternoon was bright and sunny with small patches of cloud at about 1200 metres. Pedro and Euripides separated a "reddish" cow of jersey breed and had tied it to a post. The cow's month old calf was some four or five metres away, and a little nervous at being separated from its mother. The other cattle in the corral were restless, but Pedro did not feel that this was unusual since they were all of a wild strain and not used to being corraled.

The two ranch hands began dressing the cow's wounds, inflicted upon the beast by the ill-



-tempered Gauchos (Cow Punchers). After a short period the cow became increasingly restless and began to bellow, turning its head in the direction of its calf. Pedro also looked toward the calf and was amazed to see that it was "floating", quite motionless, about one metre above the ground. Pedro shouted to his son and both watched as the tiny calf began to move away from them and glided over the corral gate.

The calf continued moving in a North West direction away from the men and was, by now, almost two metres above the ground. All of this time the remaining cattle, especially the mother, were bellowing and snorting. Pedro and Euripides watched the calf, now 20 metres distant, as it suddenly began to rise quite rapidly in a vertical position. The calf continued rising until it looked as though it was only 40 centimetres long, when, suddenly, it disappeared, as if an invisible blanket of cloud had enveloped it.

Some days later the case came to the attention of Mr. Victor Soares, President of the Rio Grande ufo research association "GIPOVNI". Mr. Soares personally travelled to the ranch to interview the two witnesses. He found that both Pedro and Euripides showed considerable reluctance to talk about the matter. However, after some persuasion he managed to establish that neither Father, nor Son, had done anything immediately, except to continue with the task of cleaning the remaining cattle. Later in the day the ranch owner, Senhor Ildefonso Moutinho, was informed but thought nothing of the matter.

Further research ascertained that there were no reports of aerial phenomena on the day in question. However, Euripides told Mr. Soares of reddish lights in the sky which he had observed in recent weeks. The lights were observed singly or in a threesome, sometimes motionless and at other times moving round the sky, often in a circular fashion. He estimated that they were sometimes as small as a star and occasionally much larger.

(Credit. Our thanks to Prof. Richard Frondizi, Contact I.C.M. for Argentina., and his Brazilian associate Mr. Victor Soares, Pres-

ident of "GIPOVNI" for forwarding details of this case to us).

Yugoslavia registers Large Flap

The month of October 1971, was for Yugoslavia, a particularly large "flap" period, almost paralleling that of the huge 1967 flap. From our correspondents in Slovenia, Vincent Strmenik, Contact I.C.M., and Kiril Terziev, his associate and member of Contact, we have received a large amount of exceptionally well documented and authenticated reports.

One such report, published in the "Vecernje Novosti" (Evening News) on the 8th October 1971, relates the observation made by Zvonko Dovid, an amateur astronomer of Split, Dalmatia. Mr. Dovid observed a "triangle-shaped", metallic-looking, flying object through his 25X telescope. The object was located near the constellation, "the Great Bear", and its colour was like that of a bright star.

Zvonko took hold of a much larger telescope with a magnification of 140X in the hope that more detail could be observed. However, by the time the telescope was in place ready for use, the brightness of the object had substantially decreased and became almost invisible.

Members of the Sibenik astronomical section of Croatia also observed the same object, which they claimed changed shape from that of a sphere to an irregular pentagon. One member managed to photograph the ufo through a powerful telescope.

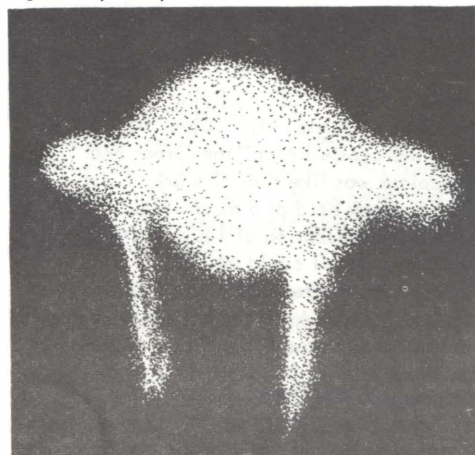
Another striking incident took place on October 13, above Sid, Vojvodina, when some two hundred spectators at a local football match abandoned the game to watch a strange, white coloured, flying object come slowly into view from the north. As they watched, a jet plane was observed to be heading directly toward the object. By now both spectators and players were watching the aerial show. Fears mounted, and all were sure that a collision would be inevitable. Luckily, the jet plane was at a considerably lower altitude than the unidentified object, and passed on its way, unscathed, without suspecting any-

thing. The craft then moved off towards Belgrade, and was observed to change colour from white to orange. In all, the incident lasted almost forty five minutes.

(Credit. Vincent Strmenik, Contact I.C.M. (Slovenia) Yugoslavia).

Villagers watch UFO

At 7.50p.m. one evening during October 1971, the small Brazilian village of Villa Cardosa was brought to life when a UFO was sighted by many of its inhabitants.



When the UFO was first seen, the villagers thought that it was some unusual kind of plane from a nearby airport. However, no sound could be heard, and when the UFO stopped and hovered over the village, it became obvious that the object could not be a plane. It was disc-shaped with a dome and had three bright lights. After a while, one of the lights faded and the other two became bright red. The object itself was yellow, and at the centre appeared blue and red rays, giving the UFO a rainbow effect. Soon the object moved off and disappeared behind a factory chimney, only to reappear at a much greater height. This time it took on the appearance of a fluorescent ball, which rapidly changed colour from white to yellow to bright red, before disappearing for the second and last time.

Many of the villagers saw the object, including one who was able to take several photographs before the UFO finally disappeared.

(Credit. Prof. Richard A. Frondizi
Contact I.C.M. Argentine.)

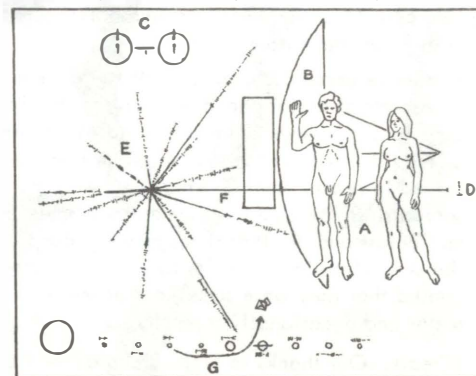
Data Research interviews Ministry of Defence

Members of the Data Research Division of Contact (UK), during a recent programme on ufos by Radio Oxford, had the opportunity to interview Mr. Tony Davis, the Ministry of Defence investigator on ufos. We understand from Mr. Derek Mansell, Director of Data Research, that the interview—lasting for some half an hour—was most cordial and productive and that much was discussed of mutual interest. Mr. Mansell is obtaining a complete transcript of the interview and we shall report full details in a later issue.

(Credit. Data Research Division, Contact (UK))

Plaque aboard Pioneer 10

Pioneer 10 will be the first probe to leave our solar system. To commemorate this historic voyage a plaque is attached to Pioneer's antenna supports. The plaque has been designed to convey as much as possible to any extra-



ARTIST'S IMPRESSION OF PLAQUE CARRIED BY PIONEER 10.

terrestrial intelligence which may come across it. (A) shows two representative humans; (B) is a scale drawing of Pioneer; (C) shows an atom of hydrogen changing state; (D) is the binary symbol for 8; (E) is a starburst, 14 lines of which symbolise specific pulsars and the longest of these lines, (F) showing the distance of our star from the centre of the galaxy and (G) represents our solar system.

(Credit. Time Magazine March 6, 1972.)

Contact man tortured

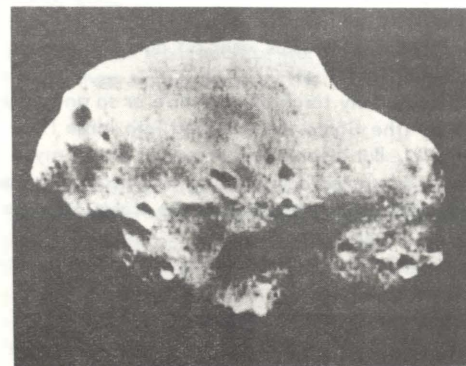
Our former representative in Pakistan, Mr. Habibullah Bahar, in a letter and telegram to the Hon. Brinsley Le Poer Trench, the International Chairman of Contact, has advised that he is safe and well after the recent Indo-Pakistan war. Mr. Bahar was however, arrested by the military Junta in East Pakistan, and tortured. He was later released by Freedom fighters. Unfortunately, his brother-in-law was shot dead during the conflict.

We are now glad to hear that Mr. Bahar and his family are safe and wish to express our congratulations on the establishment of "Contact Bangladesh" under his leadership.

(Credit. The Hon. Brinsley Le Poer Trench,
International Chairman, Contact.)

An era of speculation

This remarkable photograph, taken from the American Mars probe, Mariner 9, shows for the first time in great detail the Martian



satellite Phobos.

The two moons of Mars, Deimos and Phobos, were first discovered by the American astronomer, Asaph Hall, in 1877. Over a century earlier, in 1726, Johnathan Swift wrote of the two moonlets in his book "Gullivers Travels". Swift's account of the moons' distances, sizes and mass were remarkably close to the truth.

For many years speculative theories were proposed suggesting the origin of Phobos. The Russian scientist, I. S. Shklovsky, in 1959, hypothesised that Phobos was a hollow sphere thus implying it to be of artificial origin. Shklovsky based his theory on the extraordinary and eccentric orbit of Phobos which does not conform to any known law.

However, with the Mariner pictures, there can be no doubt left in one's mind that both the moonlets are natural. Perhaps, further study will eventually answer the still perplexing questions concerning the continuing extraordinary orbit eccentricity.

(Credit. U.S. Information Service, London)

C/O Grand Canyon - Mars



This complex of canyons on the Martian surface was photographed by Mariner 9, and computer enhanced. Scientists at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in California, estimate the canyons to be about 10-20 kilometres wide and 1 to 2 kilometres deep. This picture covers a surface area 105 by 136 kilometres in Nocti Lacus on the Northern edge of the Solis Lacus region, and was taken from a distance of 8,150 kilometres.

(Credit. U.S. Information Service, London) 9

SELECTED REPORTS No1

THE WHITFIELD INCIDENT

J B Delair

Although most ufo reports possess a considerable inherent interest, some are inevitably more interesting than others. This may result from the existence of special or unusually complete detail in the report, or may be due to the relevant information having a bizarre or frightening character, or, again, because the reports have been particularly well attested to by a variety of independent sources thus investing them with above average importance. Others may be interesting because they describe events identical with or closely similar to others previously recorded elsewhere. Irrespective of the origin or origins of this "special" character, it is obviously desirable to place on permanent record those reports falling into this general category, in order that as yet obscure or poorly understood facets of the ufo problem become better known. It is proposed, therefore, to publish accounts of all ufo reports of this type received, or which have been received by Contact (UK), under the convenient heading "Selected Reports". This, the first of the new series, comes from the archives of Data Research and has not hitherto been published.

(Ed.)

The report under consideration dates from September 1968, and was originally submitted in letter form by one of the several percipients involved, Jan Cussick, of Tintry, Dundee, Angus, Scotland. Mr. Cussick's letter was addressed to Derek Mansell of Contact (UK), who subsequently lodged it in the Data Research archives. After a short pre-ample, Mr. Cussick's letter reads as follows:

10 "There is a farm near where I live, called WHITFIELD. It is a large farm and is invis-

ible from almost any of the surrounding roads. However, about a year ago (i.e., 1967, Ed.), I noticed some strange lights beside the farm. At first, I thought they were the lights from a tractor or a car which was maybe along at the farm, but after watching these lights for a few moments, I discovered that they changed from a white light to a blood red colour. This interested me, so I went home and got my torch and then came back to my original spot, which was on a narrow track about a mile from the farm.

After signalling to the lights for a couple of minutes, I was amazed to find that they responded to my feeble attempt at communication, by the small lights suddenly growing into huge balls of fire.

They were so bright, that they cast shadows of myself and other objects beside me. I was more fascinated than afraid, and, after a few moments thought, I went off across the fields in pursuit of the objects, but after a mile or so, I realized I wasn't gaining on them. It appeared that they preferred to keep a considerable distance away.

I told a few of my friends what I'd seen, and they believed me. One of them wished to see the lights for himself, so the following night the five of us went off again in pursuit of the lights.

I flashed my torch after a mile or so and again they (the lights, Ed.) turned into large fireballs. But after a few seconds, one of my friends started complaining of a headache and dizziness and the brighter the lights got, the more ill he became.

Then the lights vanished and my friend began to recover rapidly.

This was becoming serious and we formed an organization mainly to investigate these lights.

A few nights later, we saw something that really made our blood run cold.

There were strange beings dressed in black suits, with large dorsal fin helmets, with glass partitions in the front. They were of average height and build, but when they ran off they moved at an incredible speed.

About a month later, we decided to make one big and final move. We made off across the fields in a desperate attempt to reach them (the beings in black suits, Ed.), and we covered some three miles in total darkness. The lights weren't there and we thought they'd gone, but as we turned to go back, we found we were being surrounded by them. I could see them more clearly now.

They were disc shaped and emitted a strange yellow glow, and their diameter was roughly twenty-five feet. There was no sound from them, but the air was turning warm, and my friend was becoming dizzy again. We decided to retreat in a rather quick fashion.

After a while (i.e., evidently weeks later, Ed.), building started on the fields that surrounded the farm. There was a building company beginning to flatten the surrounding fields for the new housing scheme. This ruined any hope we had of ever making contact.

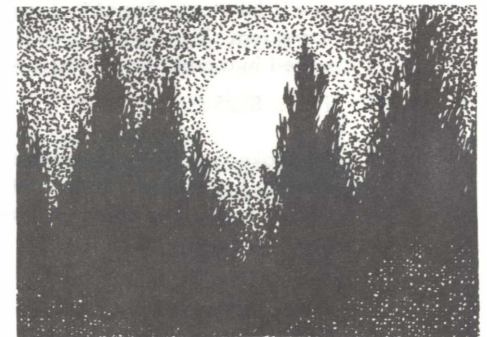
A few months later, two of my friends and I asked the watchman if he had seen unusual happenings on the building site at night, but he turned out to be very strange, and every time I tried to ask him if he'd seen anything he just kept changing the subject.

So there we have it. The housing scheme is almost complete now, the old farm is still there, but so are the lights. They (the lights, Ed.) do come from another world and what interests them across there by the farm I'll never know".

Since the above was received, contact has been renewed with Mr. Cussick, who, in addition to affirming that unaccountable flying or hovering lights are occasionally still seen in the area around Whitfield Farm, is now investigating certain aspects of the above and some subsequent local sightings with a view to

submitting a further report to Data Research. Not unnaturally, this is awaited with great interest.

At this juncture, however, we may note that the year when the events described above took place, 1967, was also a year when Britain experienced an unprecedented ufo "flap" (see the "UFO Register", vol.1, pt.2, for full details of this). Ufos, moreover, were observed over Scotland during 1967 on January 2nd and 8th (both over Orkney), July 19th (Angus), August 2nd (Angus), October 4th (Ayrshire), November 28th (Orkney), and possibly on December 1st (Angus). It is more curious that, of these, three reports came from Angus, the same county in which Whitfield Farm is situated; in chronological order the localities in question were Carnoustie, Arbroath, and near Glamis. The Whitfield Farm reports, however, are the only ones from Scotland describing entities, the presence of which, furthermore, implies that a landing had been effected nearby.



Of more than passing interest is Mr. Cussick's reference to the headache and dizziness experienced by one of the co-witnesses. Reactions of similar type in connection with ufo manifestations have been mentioned repeatedly in earlier ufo literature. Although there are reasonable grounds to suppose that the intensity of the mysterious lights or of the warm air which, Mr. Cussick implies, resulted from the presence of the lights engendered the headaches and dizzy spells, the possibility also exists that sheer excitement, fear, or other sudden tensions in the percipient could equally well have produced such reactions.

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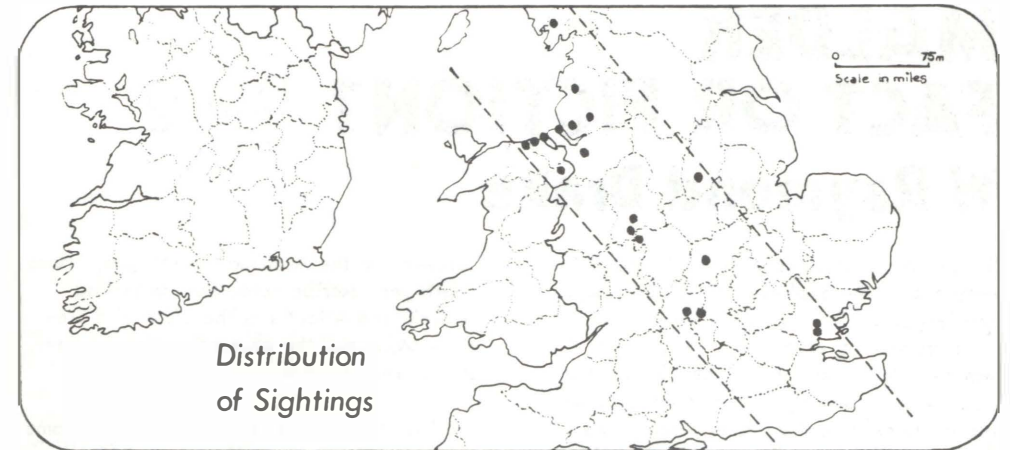
Quiet winter in Britain

David R Baxter

The months of November–February showed a considerable decrease in the number of sightings reported. However, this was only to be expected following the flap period of the preceding four months. Also, in the past, this time of year has always been relatively quiet in the United Kingdom.

The reports which were received seemed to be concentrated in a belt running from north-west England and north Wales to south-east England, as can be seen from the following list of sightings.

19. 11. 71 Time: 4.30p.m. Place: WALSALL
Witnesses: E.P. Martin, one un-named
The first witness observed the object in the afternoon. The un-named witness saw it later on. The object appeared as three bright lights in a triangular formation. The lights moved slowly over the main road from the west, then moved in a crablike manner sideways before disappearing.
19. 11. 71 Time: 8.25a.m. Place: STANBURY NEW FERRY
Witnesses: Mr. & Mrs. M.R. Baker
Mr. Baker was having breakfast when he saw an object moving from south to north at high speed. It gave off a green, orange and red glow and had a whitish trail. The object disintegrated after 5 seconds.
21. 12. 71 Time: 7.15p.m. Place: KINGSWINFOR
Witness: Mr. Brian Boyce
The object was moving quite fast from Netherton towards Wamborne and carried a large number of lights.
21. 12. 71 Time: 7.15p.m. Place: LONDON HEIGHTS, DUDLEY
Witness: Miss Celia Horton
The witness observed a bright orange light in the sky moving towards Netherton.
27. 12. 71 Time: 7.45a.m. Places: DANBURY & BASILDON
Witnesses: Miss E. Louth, Mr. C. Davis,
Mr. J. Romero, P. Little,
Mr. & Mrs. Little.
Two objects were seen to the east in the direction of Foulness. They appeared to be cigar shaped, silver in colour and both were stationary. After a while, one of the objects began to move slowly out to sea. Shortly afterwards the second object started to move and both were seen to disappear at terrific speed.



11. 1. 72 Time: p.m. Place: SOUTHWELL
Witness: Miss Elaine Frecknall
When the witness first saw the object she thought it was a plane on fire. The object was very large, spiky and starlike and had a blue haze surrounding it. It flew slowly and with no noise before it disappeared behind some trees.
13. 1. 72 Time: 11 p.m. Place: OXFORD
Witness: Mr. Brian Archer
The witness was in bed when he observed a large orange ball leaving a trail of sparks descend to ground level and disappear out of sight.
10. 2. 72 Time: p.m. Place: LIVERPOOL
Witnesses: Mr. George Eccles
Mrs. Margaret Eccles
The witnesses saw a very bright light travelling at fantastic speed at times and also hovering over roof-tops. The object was travelling from east to west and the observation lasted for 15 minutes.
17. 2. 72 Time: 8.p.m. Place: MORETON
Witnesses: Mr. & Mrs. Ryan
The witnesses were driving along in total darkness owing to the power cut when they saw two off-white discs following the car. Mr. Ryan accelerated and the discs suddenly disappeared.
18. 2. 72 Time: various Places: CHESHIRE, ABERGELE, RHYL,
PRESTATYN, WREXHAM, MOSTYN,
BROUGHTON, BIRKENHEAD,
BIRMINGHAM, PRESTON.
Witnesses: Various public & police car men
Witnesses: Various public and police car drivers.
Many objects have been reported as moving across the sky at high speed and lit up. Some objects were white with a tail or trail while others were like a green flare.

MALDEK FACT OR FICTION? Part 2

W Raymond Drake

Suggestions that cataclysms in historical times were due to the explosion of Maldek, are challenged by Dr. Immanuel Velikovsky, who with staggering erudition, claims that the world-wide catastrophe in the 13th century B.C. was caused by a comet which subsequently became the planet Venus. His marshalled evidence would certainly be refuted by Occultists who state that Teachers from that lovely planet descended to Earth millions of years ago. According to Velikovsky, the destruction in the 8th century B.C. was inflicted by the erratic Mars which collided with Venus as the planets changed orbits. An event which was described in amorous lyrics by the poet Ovid as extolling Venus in the arms of Mars.

The Italian scholar, Quix Cardinali, claims that Venus changed orbits with Jupiter not Mars. An occult tradition mentions thirteen planets; not quite so ridiculous as we may imagine. In 1860 Leverrier discovered Vulcan, thirteen million miles from the Sun, and in 1971 Prof. Henry Courteen claims to have detected Zoe, only nine million miles from the Sun. Some astronomers believe that Pluto's erratic orbit proves yet another planet: Prosperine. These three together with our present nine and Maldek, make the thirteen planets of the Ancients. Maldek must then have occupied the seventh orbit. Its sudden disappearance is said to be the reason why the number seven assumes special significance. Cardinali determined from the "Book of Enoch" that the asteroids were remnants of a world called Phaeton which exploded when the mythical Phaeton—according to the well-known Greek legend—drove the Sun Chariot. This incident was remembered by the Hebrews as "Satan hurled down to Hell".

Followers of the Austrian cosmologist, Hans Hoerbiger, ascribe cataclysms drowning Lemuria and Atlantis as the crash of a previous Moon and the capture, millennia later, of our present Moon.

The Navaho Indians say their ancestors came from the skies when the Earth was red, presumably about the time of the Exodus. They tell of a 'star' with a great 'fire-tail', probably a fragment of a comet or planet, which the Aztecs venerated as 'Quetzalcoatl'. The Hopi and Zuni Indians believe their ancestors landed originally when the Earth was covered with mud, as refugees from cataclysms on Maldek and Mars.

In the 18th century, J.D. Titius, a Wittenberg mathematician, observed an odd relationship between the distance of the planets from the Sun and in 1722, his compatriot, Johannes Bodes, formulated 'Bodes Law' which suggested a missing planet between Mars and Jupiter. In 1800 a search was made and a year later Piazzi located a planetoid called Ceres. Others were soon found and now about 5,000 are known, rotating in a belt about 340 million miles from the Sun.

Astronomers picture the asteroids as barren, airless rocks devoid of life, possibly debris of a planet, about two-thirds the size of Earth, rotating around the Sun in 3.3 years. The planet may have disintegrated during formation or have exploded under Roche's Law during a close approach to Jupiter or have been shattered into pieces by a comet. Two large fragments may have been caught by Mars to become the moons, Deimos and Phobos and others may have become the four outer moons of Jupiter.

Whirling fragments from Maldek may have caused some of the Moon-craters and possibly a huge mass smashed into the Arizona desert making a crater 4,100 feet wide, 570 feet deep and three miles circumference, with circular walls more than a hundred feet high. This suggests an explosion equal to 20,000-000 tons of T.N.T., like a super H-bomb.

Maldek disintegrated into asteroids and possibly small fragments became comets, meteorites, siderites, siderolites or aerolites. Varying proportions of nickel, iron and stone suggest they may be splinters from the shell of another planet. In 1961 Prof. Nagy found complicated fatty compounds and sexual hormones in the Orgueil meteorite. Since then, scientists have been finding organic substances in most meteorites, proving likely the possibility of extra-terrestrial life on that shattered planet.

Some sensitives allege that the asteroids are not fragments of Maldek but actually immense Spaceships surveilling Mars and Earth since all have been discovered recently, some apparently quite new arrivals. Were they debris from Maldek they would surely have been discovered centuries earlier. A bizarre theory, who knows?

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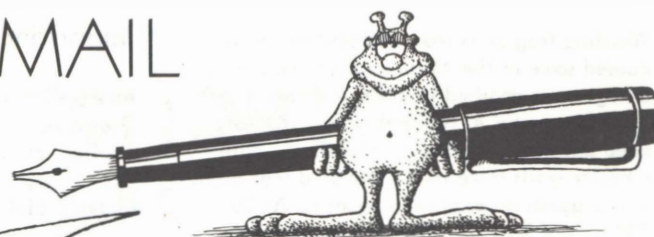
especially in the U.S.A., putting out alleged 'messages of Light' from Ashtar and other so-called space entities.

I have a high regard for the thinking of John A. Keel, the foremost American ufologist, although I do not necessarily agree with all his views. However, he has done a signal service in exposing some of these fake messages.

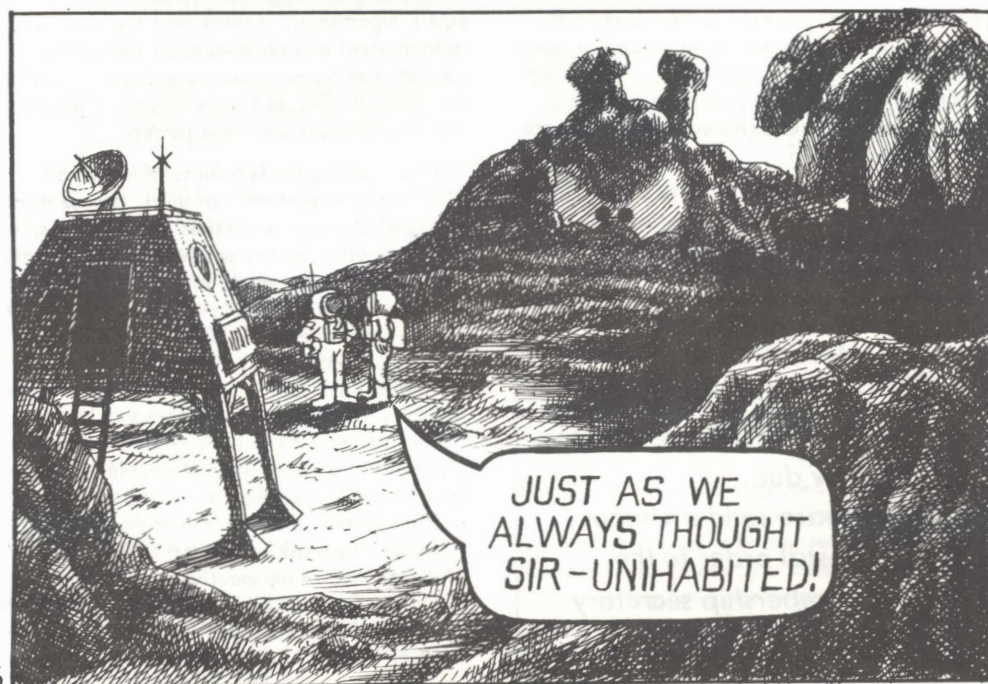
Students of the UFO Phenomenon must retain a balance. It is essential that researchers exercise the greatest possible care and discretion about putting out purported messages from alleged space entities received through mediums. I am not saying that there is not a really genuine Ashtar, but there are far too many messages from Ashtars putting out contrary information. At the same time I am not suggesting that you turn solely into "nuts and bolts", although the research side is of equal importance. I think that the spiritual, metaphysical and philosophical side of our subject is of tremendous importance, and also the study of ESP, as I have already indicated that the ufonauts use these powers.

All I am asking for is a sense of balance. This is most important. In short, please do not get carried away by mediumistic messages, or for that matter on any particular aspect of the subject. It is the whole picture that counts. This does not mean that you cannot specialise on any special aspect. That is something to be encouraged, and Dr. J. Allen Hynek, former consultant to the U.S. Air Force's Project Bluebook in a recent Talk sponsored by Flying Saucer Review at the Kensington Library, emphasised the importance of people specialising in various aspects of our subject. It is so big that this is of paramount importance. However, I am asking you all to keep the whole picture in perspective and not get carried away by mediumistic messages. This could be highly dangerous and I would be failing in my duty if I did not pass on these words of warning.

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